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PATENT APPLICATION 3-12-03
Serial No. 09/854,807
Atty. Docket No. 1217-010754

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1724 :
In re application of :
FUJIO TANAKA ET AL. : METHOD OF REGENERATING
Serial No. 09/854,807 : ION EXCHANGE RESIN
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 27, 2002, and Advisory Action dated January 13, 2003, Applicants hereby submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), a Petition for Extension of Time, and the following amendments and remarks.

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